Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims:

Claim 1 (original): A pharmaceutical composition for parenteral administration comprising a somatostatin analogue comprising the amino acid sequence of formula I

wherein X₁ is a radical of formula (a) or (b)

wherein R₁ is optionally substituted phenyl,

$$R_2$$
 is $-Z_1$ - CH_2 - R_1 , $-CH_2$ - CO - O - CH_2 - R_1 , or O

wherein Z₁ is O or S, and

 X_2 is an α -amino acid having an aromatic residue on the C_α side chain, or an amino acid unit selected from Dab, Dpr, Dpm, His,(Bzl)HyPro, thienyl-Ala, cyclohexyl-Ala and t-butyl-Ala, the residue Lys of said sequence corresponding to the residue Lys 9 of the native somatostatin-14

in free form, salt form, or protected form and tartaric acid.

Claim 2 (original): A composition according to claim 1 wherein the somatostatin analogue is a compound of formula II

wherein the configuration at C-2 is (R) or (S) or a mixture thereof, and wherein R is NR_1R_2 - C_{2-6} alkylene or guanidine- C_{2-6} alkylene, and each of R_1 and R_2 independently is H or C_{1-4} alkyl,

in free form, salt form or protected form.

Claim 3 (previously presented): A composition according to claim 1 wherein the compound of the somatostatin analogue is in aspartate di-salt form.

Claim 4 (previously presented): A composition according to claim 1 wherein the composition is adjusted to a pH of about 4 to about 4.5.

Claim 5 (original): A composition for parenteral administration buffered at a pH of about 4 to about 4.5 and comprising as active ingredient cyclo[{4-(NH₂-C₂H₄-NH-CO-O-)Pro}-Phg-DTrp-Lys-Tyr(4-Bzl)-Phe] or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.

Claim 6 (original): A composition according to claim 5 wherein the composition is buffered by an acetate/acetic acid, lactate/ lactic acid, or Glycin / HCl buffer.

Claim 7 (currently amended): Use of a pharmaceutical composition according to claim 1 for the preparation of a medicament for acromegaly or cancer Cushing's Disease.

Claim 8 (original): Use according to claim 6 for the preparation of a medicament for Cushing's Disease.

Claim 9: Cancel

Claim 10 (original): A compound of formula III

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wherein R is NR_1R_2 - C_{2-6} alkylene or guanidine- C_{2-6} alkylene, and each of R_1 and R_2 independently is H or C_{1-4} alkyl,

in free form, in salt form or complex form, or in protected form, e.g. $cyclo[{4-(NH_2-C_2H_4-NH-CO-O-)Pro}-DPhg-DTrp-Lys-Tyr(4-Bzl)-Phe].$

- 11. (new) A pharmaceutical composition according to Claim 1 wherein the somatostatin analogue is $cyclo[{4-(NH_2-C_2H_4-NH-CO-O-)Pro}-Phg-DTrp-Lys-Tyr(4-Bzl)-Phe]$ or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof.
- 12. (new) A pharmaceutical composition according to claim 3 wherein the compound of the somatostatin analogue is $cyclo[{4-(NH_2-C_2H_4-NH-CO-O-)Pro}-Phg-DTrp-Lys-Tyr(4-Bzl)-Phe]$ or a pharmaceutically acceptable sait thereof.
- 13. (new) A method of treating Cushing's Disease comprising administering a pharmaceutical compositions according to Claim 11.
- 14. (new) A method of treating Cushing's Disease comprising administering a pharmaceutical compositions according to Claim 12.